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In re the application of: Adriaan A.W.M. VAN LOON

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For: NOVEL ANTIGENIC CLASS OF AVIAN REOVIRUSES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington D.C. 20231 Sir:

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Prior to the calculation of the fee in the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

- Page 1, line 2, please insert -- <u>FIELD OF INVENTION</u> --; and between lines 4 and 5, please insert -- <u>BACKGROUND</u> OF THE INVENTION --.
- Page 4, between lines 3 and 4, please insert --<u>SUMMARY OF</u>

 THE INVENTION --; and

 between lines 14 and 15, please insert -- <u>DETAILED</u>

 -- <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION</u> --.
 - -Page 12, line 1, please change "micro-organism" to -- microorganism --.
 - Page 13, line 22, please change "immuno-fluorescence" to -- immunofluorescence --; and delete the "-" following "immunofluorescence".
 - Page 20, line 8, please change "One-day old" to

 -- One-day-old --; and delete "-" after "SPF";

 lines 12 and 16, please change "One-day old" to

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